# KANSAS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM (KCJIS)

**KCJIS Legislative Introduction** 

#### **Abstract**

KCJIS facilitates the secure sharing of data essential for the time sensitive information requirements of law enforcement, investigative research and the safety and security of the people of Kansas.



### **Kansas Criminal Justice Information System**

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Governor Laura Kelly
The Kansas Senate
The Kansas House of Representatives

The Kansas Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS) Committee created this introduction letter to help educate the Legislature, state officials on the purpose of the Committee and how its members work together to identify issues and solutions to help the criminal justice community.

This introduction will provide a high-level overview of the KCJIS Committee members, vision, mission and goals. For more detailed information I would request that you contact the KCJIS Director and review the KCJIS webpage and KCJIS Strategic Plan. Contact information can be found at the end of this letter.

In short, the KCJIS Committee is dedicated to the criminal justice process and finding ways to improve the flow of accurate, timely and complete data securely between agencies.

Sincerely,

Captain Jim Oehm

Chair, KCJIS Committee

The Kansas Criminal Justice Information System (KCJIS) is a highly secure, public safety communication system with information sharing of sensitive, criminal justice information as its core purpose. Started in 1998, the KCJIS system is connected to over 1500 local, tribal, state and federal agencies in all 105 counties and boasts over 9000 criminal justice and law enforcement users.

The KCJIS Committee, a team of state agencies and public safety associations, recently completed the annual 2022 update to the 2018-2023 Strategic Plan.

Vision: "A safer Kansas through effective criminal justice information sharing."

**Mission**: "We are a criminal justice information-sharing environment that provides professionals with access to information they need when they need it."

**Goals**: 1) Partnership Engagement; 2) Information Sharing; 3) Information and System Security; 4) Standards-Based Systems; 5) Information Technology Advancements

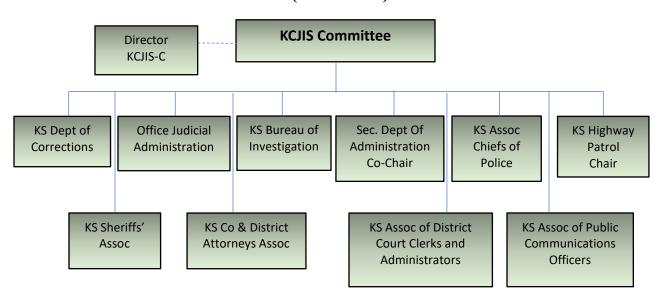
The KCJIS integrated system provides daily operating information used by criminal justice, public officials, and policymakers in Kansas and elsewhere. There are many separate information repositories, affiliated systems, and a variety of agencies that collectively comprise KCJIS. Some information systems are fully integrated into KCJIS and others have yet to be integrated. All users and contributing agencies are critical to the success of KCJIS as they both provide information to and use information from the system. KCJIS depends upon the collection of and access to timely, accurate, complete, and consistent information.

#### **Agency Participation & Purpose**

The Kansas Criminal Justice Information System – Committee (KCJIS-C) is mandated by state statute (KSA 74-5701) and composed of representatives of key KCJIS stakeholders as shown in the embedded organizational chart.

The purpose of the KCJIS-C is to bring public safety entities together to facilitate the secure sharing of data essential for the safety of the people of Kansas; establish and maintain a secure network connection between each county and the state for the purpose of exchanging this data.

## **Kansas Criminal Justice Information System - Committee** (KCJIS-C)



#### **Typical CJIS Network Usage Scenarios:**

Scenario A: A typical daily car stop by a local officer or trooper. With only a license plate number an officer can gather Kansas, Federal, and other states' data. This quickly gathering of information can immediately protect the officer from known risks before her or she ever gets out of their patrol car. Once the officer has the driver's license number the process continues with Wants and Warrants, driver's license photos, criminal history, and other person-based information. In a typical car stop officers will make multiple system queries that will gather information from numerous state and federal databases.

Scenario B: Detectives, courts and prosecutors use similar queries as they process cases and make decisions. During investigations Detectives can use databases with electronic fingerprint capabilities, forensics data, registered offender information, inmates and parolee data and federal and state warrant information. Information is stored and made available to users based on the individual user authorization and access.

In a typical day over 115,000 queries are made in KCJIS. All data shared over KCJIS is logged to provide an audit trail to assure accountability of each user's authorized access and use of data.

To learn more about the KCJIS Committee including resources, trainings, conferences, and the 2018-2023 Strategic Plan please visit the <a href="KCJIS Website">KCJIS Website</a> or contact David Marshall, Director KCJIS-C, (785) 925-5055, or <a href="david.t.marshall@ks.gov">david.t.marshall@ks.gov</a>.